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Milk Production
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NEWS RELEASE

April-June Milk Production

North Dakota

Milk production for the April-June 2006 quarter totaled 131 million pounds, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier but equal to the January-March 2006 quarter. This is according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Average milk cows during the current quarter, at 32,000 head, were down 1,000 head from both a year earlier and the previous quarter. Milk produced per cow during the April-June quarter was 4,090 pounds, down from 4,100 pounds a year earlier but up from 3,960 pounds the previous quarter.

United States

Milk production in the U.S. during the April - June quarter totaled 46.9 billion pounds, up 2.3 percent from the April - June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.13 million head, 93,000 head more than the same period last year. Production per cow during the quarter averaged 5,134 pounds, up from 5,069 pounds during the same period last year.

Milk Cows and Production: Selected States and United States
April - June, 2005-2006

State	April-June Milk Cows ^{1/}		April-June Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2005
	2005	2006	2005	2006	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
North Dakota	33	32	135	131	-3.0
California	1,750	1,784	9,662	9,894	2.4
Minnesota	455	450	2,135	2,138	0.1
New York	646	649	3,116	3,130	0.4
Wisconsin	1,234	1,242	5,875	5,987	1.9
United States	9,041	9,134	45,831	46,896	2.3

^{1/} Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ^{2/} Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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